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DELAWARE JAILS.

W. C. T. U. Points Out the Evils of the Delaware Jail System.

MRS. SMITHER'S PAPER.

At the recent State Convention of the W. C. T. U. held in Wilmington, Mrs. Smithers, widow of the late Hon. N. B. Smithers, made a report on jails of great interest.

She stated that just before going to the convention, she had visited the Dover jail and there found forty men besides women and children, dirty and filthy. She asked a prisoner why they stood up and did not sit down, and he said they had nothing to sit on. She looked into the cell and there was only a bed which a goat wouldn't sleep in, not a chair or anything to sit on. She asked another prisoner why he walked up and down so, and he replied that he had to do something or he would go crazy.

Her paper in full was as follows:

Nearly a score of years ago, I took up my timid pen to write against the Delaware jail system.

My work as superintendent brought me into close contact with its workings, and I was amazed and horrified at the moral filth and degradation that existed under such a system. I then determined that the public, so far as I was able, which quietly permitted such a gross outrage to live in their midst, should not do so ignorantly.

I therefore resolved that my papers should not, in the ordinary sense, be jail reports, but jail denouncers; and I have done my best to make them so.

Seventeen years ago I appeared for the first time before a W. C. T. U. State convention and told my story, and each year since on similar occasions.

I have told it over again until you all must be as familiar with it as I am. I have taken you by the hand and led you inside one of these jails, any one of them; and as the iron door swings open and we enter into the dim light and sickening atmosphere of this pest hole, I have pointed out to you, men and women, boys and girls, white and black—all huddled together indiscriminately.

I have taken you inside the cells, and saw you shudder as you have looked upon them. I have paused with you to listen to some hardened criminal telling the story of crime to some tender youth, who listened to his words as to a romance. I have shown you how these jails are managed and what great reforms should come to them; and have told you how we have pleaded with bygone Legislatures to help us to better conditions. I have shown you how prison reform operates in other States, until I knew you were convinced that our system was not only a pest upon our civilization but a sin against humanity. All of this I have shown you, and more, until there is left nothing more to tell. We all know full well that the old doctrine of retributive justice is a fallacy and a fraud. The centuries have proven it and man is now alive to the fact.

We have found out that everything we do for the criminal is something done for society—every bit of reformation you give to the criminal, you give just that much more protection to society. Every offender that you lock up in enforced idleness, you sink deeper into the darkness of depravity. How can men and women from such environment as a Delaware jail go out to do better? What in heaven's name is there to begin a new life upon?

The discharged prisoner, he is but a moral leper, at the very sight of whom every one cries "unclean, unclean."

Be it your idea that these "jail birds" sit quietly down in their solitude and reflecting upon their errors, resolve with contrite hearts to commit no more of them? Do you imagine that these men are miserable, restless and chafing under their confinement? If you do you imagine vainly.

On leaves from "Prison Diary," Michael Davitt says, "I have met very few individuals in prison, who gave evidence in appearance or talk of being truly miserable, no matter what the length of their sentence, amount of extra punishment, or contrast between their previous and their convict life. Do you think remorse overtakes them? No. The criminal, like the wild beast, comes out of the place where he was caged temporarily, worse than when he went in; more inhuman, more brutal, more bitterly disposed towards his fellows. He may be more wary and cunning thereafter, but he will be more dangerous to society than before he was caged."

The old Delaware jail of to-day is the identical institution that was established in the very dawn of time, when it was found necessary to shut the first offender against society away from his fellows.

It has not changed in all the centuries except perhaps in its gloomy architecture. But let us hope, and I am hoping.

We have reason now to hope that the day of old Delaware jails is fast passing away. A light is breaking in the east, the dawn let us pray of a better day.

A legislative body has at last seen fit to make an appropriation for the purpose of building a work house in New Castle county. My disappointment was great and oh how disappointed I was that it was not for a State Work House, but since I have recovered I am so thankful for even this much. I am glad to know that the prisoners of New Castle will have something to do, though the criminals of Kent and Sussex are still doomed to idleness.

I congratulate the good people of New Castle that they have stepped out of the old rut and can now go forward in this reform.

NATIONAL EXPORT EXPOSITION, PHILADELPHIA.

Reduced Rates via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The National Export Exposition, which opens at Philadelphia on September 14 and continues until November 30, will be the most interesting and important event occurring in Philadelphia since Centennial Exhibition of 1876. In addition to its valuable commercial exhibits it will present many features of popular interest and amusement. The United States Marine Band, Sousa's Band the Banda Rossa, Innes' Band, Damrosch's and other celebrated bands will furnish music alternately and a Midway Plaisance, equal if not superior to the famous World's Fair Midway at Chicago, and comprising a Chinese Village, a Chinese Threatre, acrobats, and customs: an Oriental Village, London Ghost Show, Hagenbeck's Wild Animal Show, Blarney Castle, and many other unique presentations, will furnish abundant and diversified amusment. Arrangements have also been made for Mandolin, Guitar, and Banjo Concerts, and for a Grand chorus from the German Singing Societies.

For this occasion the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from all points on its line, to Philadelphia and return, at rate of a fare and a third for the round trip plus price of admission. These tickets will be sold during the continuance of the Exposition and will be good for return passage until November 30.

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Excursion tickets, good for return passage on any regular train, exclusive of limited express trains, within ten days, will be sold at $10.00 from Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, and all points on the Delaware Division; $11.25 from Atlantic City; $9.60 from Lancaster; $8.50 from Altoona and Harrisburg; $6.90 from Sunbury and Wilkesbarre; $5.75 from Williamsport; and at proportionate rates from other points. A stopover will be allowed at Buffalo, Rochester, Canandaigua, and Watkins within the limit returning.

A special train of Pullman cars and day coaches will be run with each excursion. An extra charge will be made for parlor-car seats.

An experienced tourist agent and chaperon will accompany each excursion.

Tickets for a side trip to the Thousand Islands (Alexandria Bay) will be sold from Rochester in connection with excursions of September 7 and 21, good to return to Rochester or to Canandaigua via Syracuse within five days, at rate of $5.50.

Tickets for a side trip to Toronto will be sold at Niagara Falls for $1.00 on September 23. In connection with excursion of September 7, tickets will be sold to Toronto and return at reduced rates, account Toronto Fair.

For pamphlets giving full information and hotels, and for time of connecting trains, apply to nearest ticket agent, or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

Remarkable Rescue

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement, that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefitted from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles, found herself sound and well; now does her own housework, and is as well as she ever was.—Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at Vaughan's Pharmacy. Only 50 cents and $1.00 every bottle guaranteed.

Moore's Grove, where the people of Laurel spent the heated term, was destroyed by fire early Sunday morning. Only three of the forty-five cottages escaped the flames. The fire was of incendiary origin.

MILFORD DISAPPOINTED

Milford people are disappointed over the appropriation made for dredging the Mispillion river being exhausted. The fear that unless arrangements are made to continue the work which has been commenced that the river will go back to its old condition. A steamboat line between there and Philadelphia is next to impossible unless the river is permanently improved. Some dredging has been done in the past at private expense, but no one feels like taking money out of his own pocket to pay for Government work.

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ADDICKS IS DOOMED.

Union Republican Tactics to Elect Him to the Senate Must Fail.

THEY HAVE NO PARTY

And to get National Recognition seek Common Primaries with Republicans.

From Sussex Republican, Sept. 30th.

Republicans are only amused or perhaps amazed at the conciliatory tone of the Addicks press. This earnest and continuous plea for harmony eminating from that source means something. Only now and then do we hear the sound of an old familiar chord accidentally struck when some Editor forgets his part and reveals the old animosity and hate still existing, although concealed for the time being for a purpose.

Addicks no longer permits himself to be interviewed on his political prospets, and for the time seems muzzled.

The often repeated, "I shall be Senator from Delaware;" "He bought the goods and they should be delivered;" "Addicks or nobody" no longer fill the air.

These and like expressions so familiar to every Delawarean are for the present regigated to the rear and the Addicks wolfe has assumed the pure white cloak of offended innocence. According to their papers, their only hope and desire is a joyous love feast of Republicans. A gathering in, in one harmonious whole of all Republicans in this State; one primary, &c. Every Addicks voice is tuned down to the cooing and persuasive tone of love. All the energy of combined Addicks forces is centralized on the accomplishment of one object and that is the arranging of some understanding with the Republicans that will permit the consummation of all their plans, the election of Addicks to the Senate. They have reason to be anxious to obtain the help and assistance of the Republican party. They are well aware that all their own efforts will not avail them anything. The gold of Addicks cannot buy the Senatorship. It has been a costly experiment, but he apparently is at last convinced that he cannot build up an organization, whose only object is to elect him Senator. He is convinced that there are enough Republicans in the State opposed to his organization to defeat any ticket he may nominate and without them he cannot win. He wants to win. He wants their help, and with the assistance of his lieutenants he is trying to fool them and trap them into the some kind of an arrangement that will enable him to win by their help and laugh at them for their pains.

Addicks and his lieutenants are not the only ones who have been benefited by the experience of the last few years. Republicans have had more than one occasion to test the words and promises of these followers of Addicks,' and they are convinced by this experience that they are expert hands at making promises, but of exceedingly poor memory, when the time for keeping such promises arise. The men who were nominated as Union Republicans and voted for on the Republican ticket, did not hesitate to promise to elect a Senator, but failed to keep that promise when afforded the opportunity. Such experience teach one that he may be fooled once, but he is a fool if he permits himself to be fooled the second time, by the same persons and in the same way.

We cannot accept the promises of the Addicksites in good faith. We cannot believe they mean what they say, when they profess to be concerned, for the welfare of the Republican party only. We cannot accept their beautifully worded harmonizing unification editorials as the genuine article. We have seen the same brand before and found it to be a genuine counterfeit. We have heard this same kind of music before. Sometimes the seductive note of the string instrument, and sometimes a brass band in full chorus. It sounded well, we admit, but it proved to be only sounding brass and tingling cymbal. Being forwarned by such experience in the past, Republicans are forearmed and pay very little attention to this full chorus of Addicks voices, singing harmony and unity, except to expose their falsity.

From News and Advertiser, Sept. 30.

The Republicans of this State have marked out their course and are consistently following it without regard to any influence brought to bear outside of the party. Some of the Addicks organs express the fear that we may be misled by the blandishments of Democratic journals. But it is well to state that the real Republicans (the genuine and only) are able to take care of themselves. Papers such as the "Evening Journal" which condemn the course of the Addicks crowd and have some kindly words for the Regulars, are simply expressing facts. If this hurts the Addicksites, it is their fault since they have made the conditions what they are.

The Addicks papers express from week to week the same sentiments, sometimes almost in the same language. This week they are working the virtuous dodge. The "Chronicle" states that the "Union Republican party stands as the embodiment of honesty in politics in the Nation, the State, the county and the Representative Districts."

It is the first time we have heard of it as a national organization, and as for the "embodiment of honesty," there is not a school boy in the State but who knows that the Addicks party had its inception in the desire to elect a particular man senator, and that his money has been and is the only excuse for its existence.

The Republicans of Delaware have mapped out their course, whether it is wise, time only will tell; but it is honest and decent. It does not make its adherents ashamed to be seen at church or to look their wives in the face. They will adhere to this consistent course to the end. The Addicksites may bellow and storm; they may assume a virtue though they have it not; but it will not change Republican action. When the Democrats praise us, we shall be pleased and shall accept the compliment gracefully, not churlishly, but this, nevertheless, will not alter the course the Republicans have marked out for themselves.

THE OTHER SIDE.

From The Union Republican, Georgetown.

The "Sussex Republican" is mistaken. It is mistaken very often. It allows its wish to be so often the father to its thought. We refrain from saying that its mistakes are deliberate misstatements, or that it follows the lead of that despicable school of journalists, who hold that any statement, however untrue, is permissable in political discussions. Here is a statement in point. In its last issue it says "the Union Republicans, in almost a whining tone, a year before the election, are begging for harmony." This statement is false. No Union Republican in the State can be quoted to prove such an assertion. The position of the Union Republican Party is unchanged and unchangeable. It demands that the whole issue of party division be submitted to a common primary under the conditions of the new organic law, and that by this method—in the High Court of the People—one party, one emblem, and one ticket be secured. There is no begging, no whining in this. It is a simple proposition—an American proposition—a fair and opportune proposition, in agreeing to which no man and no faction undergoes, or can undergo, any humiliation or abasement. There is no other way whereby the party can be saved. The disastrous and fatal "bolt" from the May convention of 1896, creating thereby two Republican organizations, made party unity in the future dependant upon the adoption of one or two alternatives only—the surrender of one organization to the other, or the adoption of the plan for a common primary called by agreement by both organizations. The former is not even considered by either side. The latter remains as the only alternative. Therefore the Union Republican Party proposes to offer this proposition for unity and party integrity up to the last available moment, in spite of the nervous meddling and evident consternation of the Democrats, as well as of men who loudly proclaim their Republicanism and fulsomely shout for McKinley, but whose every act, whose every utterance gives hope and courage to the enemy.

After every effort has been exhausted to secure a settlement of political differences by an appeal to majority rule, at the proper time, the Union Republican Party will hold primaries, and a State Convention, and will elect delegates to a National Convention. Those delegates will go. They will again demand admission as the representatives of majority rule in Delaware. If they are admitted, that is the last of the "bolting minority," propped up by an unjust decision of the National Committee and by the shameless act of prejured Democratic Clerks of the Peace. If they are not admitted the fight for majority rule will still go on. There will be, however, one difference. No union upon any candidate upon any part of the ticket for any office in the State will be possible. It will necessarily be a keen, bitter, uncompromising fight to the finish. Because of these consequences, easily foreseen by any reflecting Republican, free from the blindness of his own passion, and because, sooner or later, the principle of majority rule must prevail—"The Union Republican, in season and out of season, places before the party the only solution of the political problem that is possible. Whether the application of this principle comes now, or years later, come it must. There is no substitute for it in a Republic. In the judgment of the "Union Republican," it should be applied now—now, when the immediate future is one of assured success—not later, when even with a united party there is certain defeat.

A calm, reflective survey of the situation, and a portrayal of the fatal consequences of further yielding to mad passion and senseless prejudice in our politics may be an evidence of "whining" on the part of Union Republicans. They will gladly bear the imputation if by so doing Republican unity and Republican success can be secured.

One thing they will not suffer— any settlement of the differences at stake that compromises individual rights, personal liberty and party principles, or that demands harmony at the price of individual sacrifice and ostracism.

Story of a Slave

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich. tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female disease quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backack, fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, run down sickly people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents. Sold at Vaughan's Pharmacy.

THE LOWER PENINSULA

(Additional items on the inside pages.)

THE HOOPER WILL CASE

The court last Wednesday rendered a decision in the Hooper will case. The opinion was delivered by Judge Lloyd. It will be recalled that Miss Willie Hooper who died in 1898 left a will bequeathing her property to Trustees of Asbury M. E. Church, Salisbury; to the Board of Home Missions and Sustentation, Board of Foreign Missions and Board of Church Extension of the Presbyterian Church of the United States; to the Church Extension and Missionary Board of the M. E. Church of the United States; to the Board of Stewards of the Wilmington Conference, for the support of the superannuated ministers. Certain bequests were also made to Mrs. Humphreys.

The wil was contested by Mrs. L. P. Humphreys her sister on the ground that the delegates named in the will were not competent to receive the property, being neither individuals nor corporations under the law and the real estate could not pass under the law because it violated the law against perpetuities.

The court held both of these objections to be valid.

The effect of the decision is that the real estate will go to the sister, Mrs. Humphreys by inheritance and residuary legatee she will receive all the personal property except that provided under the will to go to the payment of the ministers' salaries in the Methodist Episcopal Church in Salisbury and Wicomico Presbyterian Church.

The principal item of real estate is the business block on Main Street, occupied by Lacy Thoroughgood and Harry Dennis, and as residences on second and third floors.

The trustees named in the will to execute the trust are Dr. F. M. Siemons, Thos. H. Williams and E. Stanley Toadvin. It has not yet been decided whether or not the trustees will take the case to the Court of Appeals.

Graham and Fitch and John P. Poe are council for Mrs. Humphreys, Ellegood & Ratcliff for trustees.—Salisbury Advertiser.

GIVEN UP FOR LOST.

It is believed that Captain John Fowler, with his wife, daughter and crew of the ill-fated schooner Patterson, have gone to the bottom of the Atlantic. The vessel left Philadelphia on August 8, with 1,000 tons of coal bound for Savannah. Since then no tidings have been had of her. All who are interested in vessel or crew have abandoned hope. Captain John Fowler was a native of Milton and leaves a mother, four brothers and one sister. He was 32 years of age. Mrs. Cora Fowler, his wife was 30 years of age. The daughter, 8 years of age, was a bright little girl, full of wit, vivacity and life.

DEATH OF JONATHAN HARRINGTON

Jonathan Harrington, a well-known farmer, who died at his home near Harrington Friday morning at 4 o'clock, after an illness of about ten days, from paralysis, was buried from the M. E. Church Tuesday. Two sons of the deceased, who reside in Kansas and Colorado, could not be present at the funeral. Besides these, three sons in Harrington survive their father. Mr. Harrington's wife was a sister of Revt S. M. Thomas, D. D., editor of the Philadelphia Methodist.

DID TRICKS TO SAVE HIS LIFE.

While giving an exhibition here to-day Harry Kramer, a trick bicycle rider, of Washington, D. C., was standing on his head on his saddle when he collided with a wagon, into which he leaped.

The horse ran away. Kramer caught the reins and endeavored to stop the frightened animal. Coming near two other wagons the horse slackened speed and Kramer leaped first to one wagon and then to a second, thence to the pavement and over an iron picket fence surrounding the Cambridge National Bank. The horse was stopped without any damage being done.

DYSPEPSIA

"My wife suffered for many years from Nervous Dyspepsia, Sick Headache, Sleeplessness and Nervous Debility," writes John Kelleen, Philadelphia. "We tried many physicians and numerous remedies, but with no results, until I heard of Johnson's Dyspepsia Cure. We bought six boxes, and the results far surpassed our expectations. She now eats and sleeps well, is gaining in flesh, and her color, which had got to be yellow and sickly, is now as fresh as when we were first married, and I tell her that Johnson's Dyspepsia Cure has made her ten years younger."

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Special Correspondent.

ACCORDING TO Judge A. L. Krumler, of Indiana, who is good authority, that State is safely and permanently anchored in the Republican harbor, because of the growth of its manufacturing interests and the general good times, speaking of which he said: "Our people are enjoying a flood tide of prosperity. Everybody is satisfied with current conditions. Money is plentiful, crops are immense, and the demand for labor is unprecedented. In the West there is overwhelming approval of President McKinley's Philippine policy. I read of objectors to that policy in the East, but we have no Hoars or Atkinsons in our section. The sentiment is well-nigh universal that the Filipinos deserve punishment, and they are going to get it."

It is not surprising that two of the most popular men in the United States—President McKinley and Admiral Dewey—standing side by side on a platform made to imitate the prow of a warship, to review the big civic parade, which inaugerated the Dewey festivities in Washington, should have aroused such enthusiasm as was never before seen on the streets of Washington. It was an occasion calculated to arouse the enthusiasm of every American.

The scene presented when Admiral Dewey arrived at the White House, whither he was escorted from the railway station, by a troop of cavalry, was one worthy to be preserved for future generations in a historical picture. The President and every member of the Cabinet was there to meet him. The Admiral was met at the door by Secretary Long, who escorted him to the President. The hearty hand shake of the President and the Admiral and the admiration on the faces of both as they looked to each others eyes will never be forgotten by those who were present. There was a general jollification for a few minutes, after which the party started for the reviewing stand, amid the plaudits of thousands.

The Governor of Louisiana having informed the Department of Justice that he could not submit an official report on the killing of five Italians, at Tallulah, some months ago, until the grand jury, which will not meet until January, investigates the case, Attorney General Griggs has sent a special agent of the Department to make an official inquiry, in order that all the obtainable facts shall be on hand when Congress meets. The Italian authorities have made an investigation of the killing of these men, and will claim indemnity, and get it for several of them, unless it can be shown that their report is incorrect.

Judge D. K. Watson, formerly a member of the House from the Columbus district, and now engaged in legal work for the Government, has accepted an invitation to take the stump in Ohio. Just before he left Washington, he said: "I think I know Ohio, and I tell you our people are in favor of standing by the flag. That's the first thing in all this war—standing by the flag! We must establish the supremacy of the United States over there. There is no getting out of it. We simply can't afford to come running back from the Philippines with our heads bowed in shame and our flag trailing in the dust. There is but one thing to do, and that is to fight it out just as the President has planned."

Secretary Long is inclined to be amused over the claims put forward by the friends of several gentlemen of credit for the selection of Dewey to command the Asiatic squadron. While Senators and other prominent men wrote to Secretary Long recommending Dewey's assignment to that command, just as others wrote in behalf of other officers, the Secretary says the selection was a natural one and would have been made if not an outside word had been said. As to who is entitled to the credit of the assignment, which produced so much glory for Dewey and for the country, Secretary Long said: "The credit of it belongs to no human being except Dewey himself, who, by reason of his special fitness, by rank, by his turn to go to sea, and by his meritorious qualifications, was the natural designation of the Bureau of Navigation."

The action of Secretary Root in sending General Theodore Schwan, who, in addition to having a reputation as one of the best executive officers in the army, is also a good lawyer, to the Philippines as Chief of Staff and Principal Assistant to the Military Governor, means that Gen. Otis, who has also been given a number of additional staff officers, is to have more time to devote to the purely military movements of the coming campaign. It should also put a stop to the constantly reiterated stories intimating an intention either to relieve Gen. Otis or to put some other officer in command of the fighting. There has never been any intention on the part of the President or Secretary Root to do either.

President McKinley has approved the sentence of the Carter court-martial, dismissal from the army and five year's imprisonment, and Carter has been locked up. Thus ends a case which a certain kind of Democrats have tried to make political capital out of.

"Take time by the forelock." If your blood is out of order, begin taking Hood's Sarsaparilla at once and prevent serious illness.

"AS THE FOOL DIETH"

Keep thee from the evil woman, from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman.—Prov. VI—24.

For jealousy is the rage of a man; therefore he will not spare in the day of vengeance.—Prov. VI—34.

Last week we had a short account of George Travers being shot and coming to Seaford for medical attention. Since the shooting numerous have been the accounts of the origin of the trouble, and the circumstances attending it, but so far as we have been able to learn, the facts are as follows: Sometime last spring Travers took Mrs. George Rash, a resident of Vienna, Md., and her children from the home of her sister, Mrs. Lankford near Eldorado, and they went to Media, Pa., whither Mr. Geo. Rash pursued them. Travers was lodged in jail on the charge of criminal intimacy with Mrs. Rash, and where he recently finished serving his nine-months term.

After leaving Media, Travers entered the employ of the Diamond State Telephone Company. While employed at Georgetown he wrote to Mrs. Rash, inquiring about old friends and neighbors in her section. A brief correspondence followed, an appointment was made between the two and on Thursday Travers drove to Eldorado to keep the appointment. While standing behind his buggy he was fired upon by one or two men, the shot taking effect in his body. He climbed in his buggy, drove around a thicket near by and made his way to a road leading to Wesley church where a meeting was being held. He asked to be helped to reach a physician, he was advised to go to Eldorado, but refused from fear of another attack and made his way alone here as no one would assist him. He went to the home of Walter Lindsey where he has been since under the medical care of Drs. Johns and Carter.

Rash denies being in the neighborhood where the shooting occurred and says he can prove an alibi. Travers seems to be gradually improving and hopes are now entertained for his recovery.—SeafordNews

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DUTY OF REPUBLICANS.

It is the plain duty of Delaware Republicans to settle their factional differences as reasonable men and to unite upon one ticket. This duty is imperative as citizens and as party men; as citizens because to keep up a factional fight means the success of the ringsters of the Democratic party, they now controlling that organization; as party men because the longer the break in the party the more difficult the final union. There is none too much time between this and the 7th of November, 1900, to effect this reconciliation with an agreemext upon one set of committeemen, one ticket and a complete victory.

There is but one difficulty in the way of Republican success in Delaware at the next election, the majority of the citizens entitled to vote being Republicans as was demonstrated at the last election, and that difficulty is the selfish personal demand that

"ADDICKS OR NOBODY"

shall be United States Senator. That demand divided the party on the 9th of May, 1895, when Mr. Addicks himself stood at the Court House door in Dover inviting "all the Addicks men—all my delegates to come in here," when delegates supposed not to be in sympathy with him were invited outside, and when subsequently, after violating in convention all party precedents the Union Republican party was organized to elect, if possible, Addicks to the Senate. Thus far fortunately they have failed though at the last session of the General Assembly the vote of Democrats were secured to that end. The hired leaders of Addicks are now seeking a common primary with Republicans upon condition that Addicks be made one of the Senators by the next Legislature and failing in this they will turn to the venal in the Democratic party. Then what? Who can tell?

It is becoming more and more evident that the Republican "fathers" in the lower counties who chose at the time between Addicks and the Democracy offered to them to vote the Union Republican ticket, have become convinced of the extreme selfishness of the Addicks' leaders as well as the greater sinner against Republican harmony and victory in Delaware and they are looking to the Republican Eagle, soaring above the party mists, to find the path to union and victory. They are being convinced from their own inward consciousness that the first plain duty is

TO DROP ADDICKS

and all his paid sattelites. They cannot see that as Republicans they owe Mr. Addicks anything though they hoped for victory though his party. They realize more and more the enormity of his party sin in troice defeating the election of a Republican Senator, and his sworn purpose to do so for fifty years to the burning edges of Hades. This was the threat made by Mr. Addicks himself and every act of his and his hired leaders prove that he and they intend to make good the threat so far as they are able, but fortunately their ability ends at the determination of every unselfish Republican to do his duty. The way is plain—the Eagle leads.

The Republicans of New Castle county are invited to read the editorial clippings upon the first page of this issue from the two leading Republican papers of lower Delaware, showing that Addicks has only changed his tactics and that he is the same wolf he has ever been though clothed in sheep's apparel. The Republicans of Sussex and Kent counties are more than ever determined upon his defeat because his is a personal party for personal ends and his every act has proven him a dangerous man, unworthy of party support.

In connection with the other clippings is one from the Union Republican, Addicks organ at Georgetown. In the reading remember that its author is paid to sugar coat the Addicks pill and to make it as palatable as possible, but note the fact that all the old disagreable taste is there yet. It is found in the closing paragraph which is as follows:

"One thing they (Addicksites) will not suffer—any settlement of the difference at stake between the factions that compromises individual rights, personal liberty and party principles, or that demands harmony at the price of individual sacrifice and ostracism."

This means that Addicks must be made a Senator upon any compromise otherwise they will, if given sufficient aid by Republicans, defeat again and again the Republican party. Happily it is not for them to say but for Republicans individually to decide. What then is the Republican duty of the hour?

MY MARYLAND.

The Cecil County Sunday School Convention will be held at Perryville on Saturday and Sunday, October 21st and 22d. Each Sunday School will be entitled to two delegates, who will be entertained in the hospitable homes of the town. Young people's societies will be invited to be represented.

The most profitable tomato crop reported in Talbot county is that of Thomas Nossick, at Windy Hill on the Choptank, in Trappe district. His crop on 30 acres cleared him $800, or $26.66⅔ an acre. This was on land that sold within the last ten years for less than $10 an acre. The farming country about Windy Hill was sandy and sterile—almost barren—but industrious and intelligent cultivation has made it one of the best tomato, melon and potato growing sections of the county. Mr. Nossick is a Bohemian who emigrated to this country a number of years ago and settled down on the Choptank, first as fisherman and trapper. Hard work and proper economy have made him an affluent citizen.

The Caroline County Republican Convention Tuesday nominated Alfred W. Thompson, of Ridgely district, for Sheriff, in place of John C. Harrington, who declined the nomination.

James D. Alexander, a veteran of the Civil War, who resides near North East, was wounded in the battle of the Wilderness. Thirteen pieces of lead have worked out of his wound, and the last piece which came out weighed three-quarters of an ounce. For over thirty-five years this had been in his body.—Oxford Press.

There is a movement on foot in Cambridge to organize a stock company for the purpose of establishing a cattle ranch on some of the marshes on either the Blackwater or Transquakin rivers. Hundreds of acres of these lands can be secured at a small cost, and the cattle can be raised at even a less expense than on the Western ranches.

A jail delivery occurred at the Somerset jail in Princess Anne Tuesday night about midnight. Five prisoners made their escape by cutting a hole through to the ceiling of one of the cells and tearing off a part of the roof and descending to the ground by means of a rope made of blankets. The jailer was aroused by one of the prisoners, and going up into the second story of the jail, found that five of his prisoners had escaped.

Stephen Groff, the negro who attempted to feloniously assault Mrs. William Shaffer at her home near Bacon Hill on Saturday last, is now in the Elkton jail to await the action of the Grand Jury at the December term of Court. On that day as Mrs. Shaffer was doing her housework she heard a knock on the door, and upon opening found that a man was standing upon the porch. He asked for something to eat, which the lady got for him. Noticing that there were no men about the house, when Mrs. Shaffer handed the food to the man he grabbed her by the arm, and attempted to throw her down. A fierce struggle followed, and the lady cried for help at the top of her voice. Two men who were out in a nearby field heard the cries, and at once started for the house. When they were within three hundred yards, the negro saw them coming and started to run. He escaped but subsequently was captured.

KENT COUNTY.

Wm. G. Abbott, of Milford, has contracted with Jonathan May's Sons, of Philadelphia, to build a four-masted schooner, which when completed will be the largest vessel ever built in a Milford shipyard. The new vessel will be 162 feet keel, 36 feet beam, 13-foot depth of hold and carry 1205 tons.

The appropriation for the construction of pile dikes at the mouth of the Mispillion River has been expended and hence the work ceased last week. Although—it is thought—the work that has been done will be of great advantage, it will take about two hundred feet more of piling to complete the job.

Work is being rushed on the Dover electric light plant and it is now the intention of the Town Council of that town, to turn the light on November 1. Nearly all the poles have been erected and the buildings at the water works are being altered to accommodate the machinery and already one boiler has been placed in position.

Many of the canneries in the vicinity of Harrington have completed their preserving of tomatoes and are now canning pears. The variety put up in the cans is the Keiffer pear, and wagon-load after wagon-load have been lined up at the various establishments. Owing to the heavy pear crop, the canning record in many places will be excelled this year,

Those who find music in the mellow baying of the hounds, and who enjoy fox hunting have had fine times for two weeks past about Milford. An effort has been made to raise several red foxes by the sportsmen and their farmer friends during the past year, and the long chases during the moonlight nights of September has set the fox hunters in a realm of ecstacy. All night runs have been numerous and the expectation of many more make all—doctors, merchants, clerks, farmers and laborers happy.

DELAWARE CITY.

Emmit Tosney, of New York, spent Sunday with his mother.

Miss Bina Foard spent Thursday in Wilmington.

Mrs. and Miss Whitlock, of Virginia, were guests of friends in town this week.

Rev. L. A. Oates attended Presbytery at New Castle this week.

A. Wright, of Battery L. from Battery Point, left Tuesday for LaGrange, N. C., where his mother is seriously ill.

Miss Nan Hemphill spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

Geo. Thompson has returned from a few days stay in Philadelphia.

Miss Annie L. Schunder is staying with relatives in Philadelphia.

Miss Clara Smith, who has been the guest of Mrs. A. L. Lewis left Tuesday for her home at Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Miss Alice Clark who was visiting in Washington was called home on account of the illness of her sister, Miss Bertie, who is in Philadelphia.

Miss Louise Everett spent Tuesday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. T. Bayard Heisel is staying with friends in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. S. C. Vail and Miss Agnes were in Philadelphia on Wednesday.

Miss Alice Vail has returned from a three-weeks stay in New Castle.

Mr. Mason, of Chester, was a guest of B. F. Armstrong Wednesday.

Mrs. G. W. Greene and Miss May Southwick, who have been visiting in New York State, returned Wednesday.

Geo. McIntyre, who has been at Wernerville for a few days, came home Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Ella Lloyd, of Wilmington, is down for a few days superintending the buildings being put up on her farm near town.

G. Roller and Miss Carrie Aker have returned from a visit in Philadelphia. They also attended the Dewey parade in New York Saturday.

Mrs. Anna A. Lofland spent Sunday, Monday and Tuesday with relatives in Philadelphia.

Alfred Robertson accompanied his mother on her return home from Washington, D. C., Tuesday.

Dr. Belville is entertaining his father and mother from Wilmington.

Miss Mollie Bouden, of Chesapeake City, is the guest of Mrs. W. A. Jester.

Miss Jennie Vail spent Thursday in Wilmington.

Deeply rooted in human nature there seems to be an innate love of rivalry in the matter of physical endurance. To this liking for muscular competition is doubtless due much of the constantly increasing strength and stature of mankind. In the requirements of modern sport, however, there is such a thing as carrying muscular exertion to a point that is absolutely injurious.

COUNTY FINANCES.

Some Useless Expenditures Pointed Out.

The report of John S. Rossel and John H. Danby reveals much of interest to New Castle county tax payers. An exchange points out some needless expenditures as follows:

To begin with an uncalled for expense is shown in the disbursements of $600 for a Court House janitor, as appended facts will prove. It may seem like drawing the line of economy too close when it is said that a Court House janitor is an unnecessary appendage to a county pay roll. But one is in this case. Janitor Scott, according to the report, was paid $600 last year for service rendered. Just what this service was other than keeping a chair warm, is unknown to the average-minded man, every official in the Court House declaring that they pay $2 each and every month to a man other than the building's janitor for keeping their office clean. The report does not set out in plain terms at least, that this extra expenditure is met by the county.

But not only does this "janitor" receive $600 annually. He is down in the report under sundry heads. For instance he was allowed $12, $10 and a second $10 for something Messrs. Rossell and Dandy knew not of, or at least their report does not inform us of the fact. Again we find that he was allowed $130 under the head of "repairs and improvements, "etc." Just what the "etc" means is not knowu but it certainly covers a multitude of extras in Janitor Scott's case. The total figures show that he was paid $762, $600 of which amount was paid him for doing work the officials of the building were paid for. Who would not be a county Court House janitor.

The paying of witness fees to state detectives while on court duty is another one of those unnecessary expenses which the report sets out. True these men received little last year, in fact such a small amount that mention of the matter is hardly worth space, but it serves to prove that there is no telling how large a bill the county may have to pay for this paticular item. The men holding these positions are each paid $1,000 annually, and are allowed expenses, while serving subponeas out of the state, but in addition to their salary the state pays them, they come in for a divy of the county's funds as the report shows. For witnessing before the grand inquest last year Walter Witsil received $19; Bernard McVey received $4.

The report also shows that the position of Chief of Police of Wilmington is a paying one. Chief Dolan is paid $1,200 by the city. In addition to this salary he was allowed $18 last year for appearing before the grand jury. But this was not all he got under the head of the magistrate and constables fees, the report shows that the chief was paid $650.30.

Returning to the court house expenditures we take up the position and pay of firemanship. John F. Campbell is the holder of this position and an industrious man he is. For performing his duty as fireman of the building Mr. Campbell receives an annual salary of $600 but the public has a right to demand that payment of county funds to him shall stop when this amount has been reached. But the report does not show this to have been the case last year. Under the head of "miscellaneous" he received $44, while for "repairs' improvements etc" he received $82.50, increasing his annual salary to $726.50.

And now for that hardest of Court House positions—Clock regulator. Horace V. Frist is the man who holds the position and the report shows that he received $75 as salary. A small salary it is true but the 'extras" have made this position one of great profit as the clocks in the tower at tests. Just what repairs and improvements, etc., "Mr. Frist could have done the report does not show but it does show that he was paid $47. He therefore got $122 for laboring under the title of "County Clock regulator" last year. All of this extra expenditure of county funds we insist is uncalled for and an evidence that those four officials at least are being rewarded for some performed political duty perhaps at the expense of the public treasury.

But not only does the report reveal a loseness along the lines heretofore stated, but it also shows that the expenses of keeping jail term prisoners is such as to be a veriiable load stone about the heads of the tax payers of the county. The actual expense of arresting and confining prisoners is of course not objected too, but when the tax payers are compelled to pay a dozen officials as many fees for services which demand no monetary remuneration the system reveals a condition of veritable rottenness. For instance when a tramp is arrested if he is committed by a magistrate that official and his constable are handsomely rewarded out of the public funds. For maintaining of prisoners, etc. alone the the County spent $8,868. It also paid $14,-549.20 for boarding prisoners; $1,878.92 in wardens salaries; $54.90 for commissioners; $400 for physicians; $4,370 for convict labor and $1890.17 for water and light. It therefore cost the county $32,012.28 tp maintain NewCastle County jail during the year. These figures do not include the cost of committing prisoners to the institution.

The system of clothing the prisoners in regulation garb is also shown to be an expensive one. T. H. Pennock & Co. having been paid $2,741.65 for clothing furnished. From these figures one would suppose that 100 long term prisoners at the jail are togged out in evening dress and the finest shirts and etc., as several cells at the institution are jammed full of prison garb.

Numerous other evidences of poor management of finances on the part of the Democratic Levy Court are evidenced by the report, and a perusal of the volume certainly convinces the public that Messrs Rossel and Danby are correct in their deduction that the system of county accounting particularily as regards the entry of fees and "etc" is imperfect and misleading. The sooner a remedy is applied the better for the tax payers of the county.

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The following allowances were made to assessors by the Levy Court this week;

Pencader—H. L. Dayett, names 710; dogs, 396; days, 8; miles, 160; rate, 15; $179.70.

New Castle—W. M. Truss, names, 2,900; dogs, 709; days, 23; miles, 138; rate, 10: $438.18.

Red Lion—Theodore Jones, names, 700; dogs, 226; days, 9; miles, 180; rate, 15; $165.40.

St. Georges—Alfred Stevens, names, 1,331; dogs, 543, days, 12; miles, 360; rate, 11, $258.20.

Appoquinimink—T. S. Wells, names, 714; dogs, 410; days, 9; miles, 270; rate 15; $191.30.

Blackbird—J. A. Brockson, names, 443; dogs, 230; days, 10; miles, 350; rate, 20; $162.60.

The assessors are to be paid in addition to the above for their per diem and mileage under the Adams income tax. The capitation tax for next year was fixed at 50 cents, the same as last year. It may be not less than 25 cents nor more than $1.25 within the discretion of the Levy Court.

—Guaranteed best butter, 24 cents pound, at Armstrong's.

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Philadelphia, Monday, October 2, 1899.

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We believe the present deluge of advertising about clothes will help us and you. One metaphorically stands on a soap box and yells, "Mine's best!" Another, to follow the simile, mounts a barrel and says, "Mine's best, too!"

Now, who is telling the exact truth? We are not questioning any one's candor—but facts are facts. Can't be that all the clothing is best—for sight and feeling will convince one that there are differences. The $8.50 "hand-me-down," as sewed-like-a-bag clothing is called, is not "tailored like a $40 suit," no matter who says so. Our $15 suits are better than our $10 ones; this isn't an age of miracles. Not every suit is tailored alike—some have the shaping kneaded in with hand-taken stitches; others are shaped on machines (which, though cheapest work, is claimed to be best, if honestly done. And one of Philadelphia's crack tailors makes the claim).

Think it all over.

Risks are plenty; seeming guarantees are plenty—but you are apt to be met with a ha ha if you take the clothes back for redress.

There is one different, separate, odd store—its clothing business will increase 70 per cent this year, because it not only talks fair, but you find it acting fair. And, proved in wear and lasting good looks, our clothing is cheapest.

Stylish business suits, fancy cassimere—vest single or double breasted—$8.50, $10 and $12—cheapest are good, the others better.

$15 is the better price to pay for a suit for hard wear—every day work at desk or office—because fabrics don't cost us much more and we can afford to put in a lot of work that tells in the wear and continued good shape.

Remember, you get nothing for nothing—it is the seller's game, and he knows. The best you can do is to find a store whose management knows how, and does it, a store that is content with smallest profit on one suit, for the sake of selling most suits—and then hold to that store.

Suits up to $30.

Overcoats, $8.50 to $30.

Clothing for Boys The first point that we make sure of in gathering clothing for boys is that it is GOOD. And it wouldn't be good, and it wouldn't be cheap—no matter how little it cost—if there was a particle of cotton mixed in the fabric of which it was made; for then the cloth would fade, and draw out of shape if sprinkled with rain. And so we have not a single suit of clothes in this store which is not made of a fabric that is every thread wool; then all seams are carefully sewed and buttons strongly sewed on—clothes that mothers feel safe in putting on the boys.

These hints of special-priced lots—

At $3.85—Two hundred more of those excellent suits are ready today. The last lot went long before the demand was supplied. Suit includes double-breasted jacket and two pairs of knee trousers.

If only one pair of trousers is wanted, the price is $3.25 a suit; but the extra pair almost doubles the wear of the suit. 7 to 16 yrs.

Boys' Top Coats—

Good serviceable Top Coats of heavy covert cloth, with collar of same; coats cut full and of medium length—

Sizes for 4 to 8 years at $4.50.
Sizes for 9 to 16 years at $5.

Light-weight Covert Top Coats—

Sizes for 3 to 10 years at $3.
Sizes for 11 to 15 years at $3.50.

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The most sorts of stylish ones are here. Some special lots.

Never had so many—never had so many coming for them. Fashion took a kindly turn when she ordained the wear of these pretty overgarments, for we can contrive to have almost every one different.

Scotch Shawls, that have been in demand for steamer wear, and are now turned into capes—made doubly pretty by the change. Domestic fabrics, too.

Prices run from $7 to $30.

A word of one or two—

Golf Capes at $8.50—flare at skirt; solid color outside, but the bright plaid shows around the edge and in the high roll collar.

One of the special values—

Golf Capes at $10—rich new plaids; pointed yoke formed by broadcloth bands; edged with broadcloth.

Golf Capes at $7—Outside a dark blue mixture; inside, light blue, or orange or red. Much like a military cape—but dressier. They'd be fairly priced at $10.

John Wanamaker.

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10-4 White Wool Fleeced Blankets, long nap, colored border, stitched edges, worth 75c a pair, **49c.**

11-4 Gray Blankets, weighing 4 lbs. to the pair, long nap, blue, pink and red borders, good wearing blankets, **$1.00** a pair.

10-4 Eastern Gray Wool Blankets, slightly stained in process of manufacture, or slightly imperfect in weave. These blankets are cheap at $2.00, **$1.59** a pair.

10-4 White Wool Blankets, some are slightly stained by machinery, perfect in every other respect, 90 per cent. wool wove, ribbon bound, close nap, noted for wear and durability, well worth $4.50 a pair, **$3.64** a pair.

Full size Bed Comforters, satin or silk covering, stitched or tufted, best white cotton filling, **$1.25.**

Hemmed white Bed Spreads for double beds, Marsellies patterns, **69c,** would be cheap at **$1.**00.

Bolster Cases made of the famous Dallas muslin, 42 x 72 inches, worth 30c, **21c.**

Good Sheets made of Pearl Mills muslin, bleached and laundered, ready for use, **49c.**

20-inch Dinner Napkins, full bleached, choice designs; also German Linen Napkins, **98c** dozen.

56-inch silver bleached Table Damask, medium weight, new choice designs, **25c** a yard.

Table Linen at **50c** a yard.

All Linen Table Damask, extra heavy quality, satin finish, 68 inches wide.

Yard wide Muslin, the Nutwood mills, make fine, unbleached, no dressing. You can't buy better at 7c, **5c** a yard.

Full bleached muslin, old reliable Hill make. You can't buy at other stores under 8c yard, **6⅛c.**

Extra heavy unbleached Canton Flannel, long nap, heavy twilled back, worth 10c a yard, **8c.**

Heavy Unbleached Canton Flannel, long nap, twilled back, the 8c kind, **5c.**

Medium weight Canton Flannel, long nap, in remnants. 2 to 10 yards, the 5c kind, **3½c** a yard.

32-inch English Wrapper Flannelettes, new fall patterns in all colors, heavy fleece backs, worth 10c, **8c** a yard.

1000 yards extra heavy Outing Flannels, in remnants, 2 to 8 yards in piece, the 7c kind, **5c.**

Ladies' Skirt Patterns, heavy Shaker Flannel, 2½ yards wide, 36 inches long, embroidered edges, with borders light and dark, **25c.**

HOSIERY.

Children's Oxford Ribbed Hose, seamless, size 5 to 9. **5c.**

Misses Fast Black Hosiery, full double knees, heels and toes, size 6 to 9½, **10c** a pair.

Misses Fast Black Hosiery, full seamless, double knees, heels and toes, you can't buy better hose at 18c, **12½c.**

Ladies' full seamless Hosiery, balbriggan and black, all sizes, **12½c.**

Ladies' imported in Lisle thread, high spliced heels, in plain black and fancy dots and stripes, **25c.**

Boys' extra heavy ribbed School Hosiery, made for wear and looks, extra spliced heels, toes and knees, **19c** a pair.

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LADIES' WRAPPERS.

Ladies' Flannelette Wrappers, separate waist lining, full fronts and backs, braid trimmed, **79c.**

Ladies Flannelette Wrappers, finest quality, newest patterns and colorings, square yoke, with shoulder ruffles, some trimmed with braid, **$1.00.**

Children's medium weight Reefers, newest shapes, braid trimmed, 4 to 10 years, **98c.**

Children's Reefers, newest, up-to-date styles, Cheviot and Sonnet Cloth, all sizes 6 to 15 years, **$2.50.**

50c. Infants' Embroidered Silk Caps, full lace ruche, the kind some charge $1.00 for.

25c. Infants' Embroidered Silk Caps, lace ruche, the kind some charge 50c for.

25c. Infants' Knit Coats, in white, blue and pink.

95c. Infants' long Coats, trimmed with fur, coats lined throughout and cheap at $1.50, all colors.

Big Boys' heavy winter Underwear, shirts and drawers, heavy fleece, the 25c kind. **19c.**

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As an argument of the great popularity of this department we point to our steadily increasing sales, our great growing shoe business, our perfectly satisfied customers.

Ladies' New Fall Shoes, of black kid skin, box calf, lace and button, the newest toe shapes, kid or patent leather tips, military or concave heels, all widths and sizes, the $2.50 kind, sold here for **$2.00.**

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Girls' Dressy Black and Kid Shoes, button and lace, all sizes and widths. new, straight patent tips, excellent shoe, usually $1.50, **$1.25.**

Boys' Calf Lace Shoes, dongola tops, tipped, bull-dog toes, good, stout oak soles, spring heels, sizes 8½ to 13½, **$1.00.**

Big Boys' Calf Lace Shoes, with oak soles, tipped, bull-dog toes, dongola tops, 2½ to 5½, usually $1.25, **$1.00.**

Men's House Slippers, velvet, carpet soles, **40c.**

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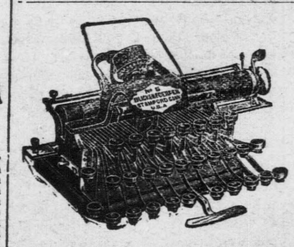

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THE CHURCHES IN MIDDLETOWN.

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Forest Presbyterian Church.—Rev. F. H. Moore, Pastor. Services held every Sabbath morning at 10.30 o'clock, and every Sabbath evening at 7.30. Sabbath School will be held every Sabbath morning at 9.15 o'clock, H. C. Ellison, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. Young People's Society Christian Endeavor meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Junior Society Christian Endeavor every Sunday after noon at 3 o'clock.

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Local News.

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—There is a good farmer on the Manor, Delaware side, whom his neighbors are talking of for Road Commissioner on the Democratic ticket.

—Farmers in this section are nearly through their fall work of seeding wheat while in some places north of here wheat is showing through the ground.

—BRICKS FOR SALE.—I have for sale a Kiln of Hard Red and Arch Bricks, suitable for paving and building purposes.

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—If you are going out of town for an outing leave your address at The Transcript office and the paper will follow you. It is the only way to keep posted on town affairs.

—The Reynolds farm on the Levels recently advertised in the TRANSCRIPT and sold to Dr. A. H. Reynolds has been purchased by Sewell Ford who was a bidder at the sale.

—The Roll of Honor of the Woodland School, District 96, for the month of September is as follows: Sam Pennington, Macsie Ehason, Charlie Evans, Ida Armstrong.

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—A pumkin weighing 91½ pounds, and measuring 65 inches in circumference is on exhibition in the office of Davis Bros. on South Broad Street. It was grown by Rowe Ridgraves on Mrs Culbertson's farm in Maryland.

—Attention is called to a 140 acre farm on the road leading from Odessa to Thomas' Corner. This farm with improvements is for sale by J. R. T. Whitman, No. 2325 Park Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa. See advertisement for full particulars.

—The new and enlarged soda fountain at Bragdon's Drug Store is complete and is a marvel of beauty. Mr. Bragdon is an artist, having done the artistic work himself. He will open on Monday, having all the hot and cold sodas, coffee, chocolate &c.

—Mr. Michael Keegan, Sr., will sow 235 acres in wheat this fall—110 acres on the farm where he resides south-east of town belonging to Mrs. Green and 125 on the Cochran farm where he will move in March now in tenure of Mr. Emanuel Clendaniel.

—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company will put in a culvert under the bridge at Frogtown crossing just north of town. The present bridge structure will not be removed but will be filled in and a solid road bed made. The culvert will be five feet in diameter.

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—An effort is being made to have the National Guards of Delaware make a larger showing. If they do not approximate 300 men at the official inspection soon to be made, the annual appropriation of arms, equipments and uniforms by the government will be curtailed.

—While Mrs. Lizzie Redden, colored, of Derrickson's corner, was eating supper on Tuesday evening George Demby entered the house and with revolver in hand drove her from the table. He demanded money but was frightened away. The officers have located him but have not made the arrest.

—The sad intelligence of the death of the wife of Dr. E. W. Caswell the new pastor of Bethesda M. E. Church, was conveyed by telegram to Mr. A. G. Cox on Thursday, saying: "Mrs. Caswell died yesterday, buried Friday, be with you Saturday if possible." Dr. Wood remains over to-morrow and will preach, both morning and evening probably.

—The dedication of the Dales M. E. chapel will be be held to-morrow, and there will be services during the coming week. On Sunday, Oct. 15th, Rev. M. C. B. Mason D. D., will give his interesting lecture on the "Redemption of Africa." Special, music will also be rendered by Prof. Chew and his choir of Ezion Church. Rev. M. H. Horsey is the pastor in charge.

—Forest Presbyterian Church should be filled to overflowing on Tuesday evening next for two reasons, the occasion being the lecture upon his recent travels by the pastor, Rev. F. H. Moore, D. D. The reasons for an overflowing house are that the proceeds will be devoted to the recent improvements upon the church and that Dr. Moore is a close observer in his travels, always bringing home interesting material for his lectures. See ad. for particulars.

—Dr. J. C. McCoy, of Kirkwood, who bought the trotter Boralma last week for $10,000, sold him Monday to Thomas W. Lawson for $17,000. The day after Dr. McCoy bought him, Boralma won at Louisville, Ky., the Matron stake of $7,000, and, Tuesday, he won the Futurity stake of $7,000. In less than three weeks, Dr. McCoy realized $18,000 on this horse. Mr. Lawson, who won $46,000 in pools Tuesday, presented $3,000 to Gus Macey, Boralma's driver, and Dr. McCoy gave Macey $1,000. At Lexington, Michael Bowerman sold to Dr. McCoy, for $12,000, the 5-year-old brown stallion Delgado, by Bow Bells, dam Rosy Morn, by Alcantara. Delgado is a full brother to Boreal, 2.15½, the sire of Boralma. Last week, Dr. McCoy bought Boreal for $10,000.

—Eggs always fresh at Armstrong's.

—October 24th has been chosen as Delaware Day at the Export Exposition.

—The great receptions to Admiral Dewey this week in New York and Washington were wonderful in their patriotism.

—Three heavy frosts appeared this week, a fortnight earlier than last year, with rain Thursday night and yesterday morning.

—The county institutes will be held Nov. 15th, 16 and 17th. The Sussex Institute at Milford, that for Kent at Smyrna, and New Castle probably at Middletown.

—Mr. Lee Bradley for the first time noticed objects around him yesterday asking to have the blinds pulled aside. The condition of Mr. Fred Droll and Watchman Corrie have neither improved.

—Like the yacht race of Tuesday that of Thursday was a failure because of lack of breeze and the prevailing fogg. The Columbia has a worthy competitor in the Shamrock whose owner will spend it is said over a million dollars on this race. The sail must be over a course of fifteen miles and back within five and a half hours or there is no race.

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—Reports show a slight deficiency in the prospect for this fall's crop of sweet potatoes in the vicinity of Philadelphia while the inclination to store away prevails with South Jersey growers. In Delaware the crop will not probably be as large as it was last year—but the tubers are growing rapidly, and may turn out better than now expected. Mr. John J. Ross, the largest grower in the vicinity of Milford, believes his yield per acre will be considerably less than last year.

—A Lockerman street grocer, says the Dover Index, was much annoyed by mice cutting his bagged flour. He was informed that if he would distribute among the bags, branches of walnut trees with the leaves on, it would drive the mice away. He tried it and the experiment proved a success. His wife also had been troubled with mice in her bureau drawers, where the little pests had cut her clothing and made their nests. She too applied the walnut remedy and the mice disappeared, It is simple, costs nothing, and is worthy of a trial by all housekeepers.

—The New Book Club organized at the TRANSCRIPT office on Monday evening by electing Dr. Chas. A. Ritchie, president, and Mr. W. A. Hukill, Jr., secretary and treasurer. The intention of the fifteen members is to read within thirty weeks fifteen new books, one book being named by each member with a second choice, the club to vote upon the selections, either approving or disapproving, and the books to be the personal property of the members at the end of the reading course. The idea can be used by any number of persons and is worthy of frequent imitation.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jones with their children and grandchildren last evening celebrated at their residence on Lake street the fortieth anniversary, of their marriage it being also the bride's sixtieth "birthday". She was Miss Maria Marion and resided near Smyrna. There are but few 40 years anniversaries observed and it was a happy occasion for the twenty-six members of the family, "Grandmother Jones," mother of the groom, aged 88 years, the sons-in-law and daughters-in-law included, with a few congratulating friends.

The family members present were Mrs. Margaret Jones, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jones; Mr. and Mrs. George S. Hopkins, Lizzie Hopkins: Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jones, Victor Bertha and Carl Jones; Mrs. Maggie Darlington, Reese Darlington; Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Scott, Ada Scott; Mr. Mrs. R. B. Jones, of Philadelphia .Mr. and Mrs. George Pinder, Marguerite and Francis Pinder, of Towsend; Mrs. Katie Letherbury, Misses Jennie, Sybbella and Elsie Jones.

NECROLOGY

ROBERT C HALL

Mr. Robert C. Hall died at his home on Crawford street on Saturday morning last from cancer of the lip at the age of 63 years, 7 months and 27 days.

Mr. Hall was born near Church Hill, Md., on Feb. 3, 1836, and resided near that place until 1870 when he moved to Middletown. He has always been a man of quiet demeanor and a good citizen. About eighteen months ago he first noticed the formation of cancer of the lip and for the past year has been unable to do any work. He leaves a widow, and nine children, also his brother and two sisters to mourn their loss. The children are Mrs. Eva. Saven, Wilmington; James C. Hall, Middletown; Mrs. Charles Paradee, Wilmington; Geo. D. Hall, Easton, Md.; Mrs. Willis Bissell, Wilmington; William B. Hall, Chester, Pa.; Harry H. Hall, Middletown; Alfred S. Hall and Robert J. Hall, of Easton Md.

His brother William J. Hall lives in Wilmington, while his sisters, Mrs. Kate Pennington and Mrs. Peter Burchard, live in Chestertown and Church Hill respectfully.

Funeral services were held at his late residence on Monday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, Rev. F. H. Moore, D. D. officiating. Interment was made in the M. E. Cemetery, his six sons acting as bearers.

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FOREST REOPENING

Forest Presbyterian Church was reopened on Sunday morning last, the church building being filled to the doors with the members and friends of the society. The church has been thoroughly repaired. The decorations of the altar were heightened by an immense bank of potted flowers and plants. The music as announced in last week's TRANSCRIPT was rendered in a very impressive manner by an excellent choir.

For the text of his sermon, Rev. F. H. Moore took the 87th Psalm 2nd verse. "For God loveth the gates of Zion, more than all the dwellings of Jacob." The discourse was short and impressive, and in concluding the speaker commented briefly upon the decorations of the church and their significance.

After the sermon an anthem was sung by the choir "In the cross of Christ I glory" and the pastor announced the unveiling of the Dr. Patton window with some brief remarks upon the faithful christian character of the man. During the singing of a favorite hymn of Dr. Patton's during his pastorate of this church, his little granddaughter slowly unveiled the beautiful window. The hymn began:

"In the Christian's home in Glory,
There remains a land of rest"

Rev. Dr. Vallandigham gave a short sketch of the life of Dr. Patton and spoke of his character as he knew him personally.

In the evening the services were again largely attended, the sermon being delivered by Dr. Vallandigham from the text: "Watchman, what of the night?" Rev. Mr. Gillingham, of St. Georges was present.

No special collection was asked for during the day, but the basket collection proved ed very satisfactory. To-morrow morning a meeting of the congregation will be held after the regular services to listen to a report of the improvement committee as to the expenses of the improvements made, which are about $2,800.00.

TOWNSEND LETTER

Mrs. Susan T. Hill died at her home at Blackbird on Monday afternoon in the 86th year of her age. She had been sick for a long while and everything that could be done by medical science and loving friends and relatives was done for the restoration of her health. Week by week, day by day, she grew weaker and weaker until the end came. She feared not death for her life was that of a pure and consecrated christian and her reward was eternal rest and happiness. She was a consistent member of the Methodist Church, and for many years was a regular attendant upon the several religious services in her vicinity. Mrs. Hill was the wife of Mr. Vincent O. Hill who had resided for quite a number of years at Blackbird; his death having occured but a short time ago. The remains of Mrs. Hill were interred at Union M. E. Church, Thursday, the services being conducted by the Rev. G. P. Jones of the Townsend Church. Two sons and three daughters survive her: Register of Wills Colen Ferguson, Dr. Benjamin B Ferguson, Mrs. Charles B. Satterfield, of Middletown; Mrs. Mortimer Records, Mrs. Richard Brockson, of Blackbird.

The Townsend cannery closed on Tuesday last after one of the largest seasons which it has yet had. The crop of tomatoes has been remarkable both for quantity and quality and only the capacity of the factory and the scarcity of cans prevented the output being even larger than it was. The tomato growers who had contracted with the canners for the product of so many acres at $6 a ton disposed of their crops but many who had not made contracts lost money by the product rotting. In this respect the conditions were reversed from the past few seasons, for the crops previous to this year were small and the man who had not made contracts received much larger prices the man who had. The work of labeling the canned fruit at the local industry is now in full swing there being a vast number of women employed in this line of work. At least three weeks will be consumed in preparing and shipping all of the output which is said to comprise about 800,000 cans of choice fruit.

Mr. Isaac Staats had quite a severe fall while walking along Commerce street on Sunday evening last. He was passing the residence of William Spry when he tripped and fell forcibly to the ground having stumbled over a huge plank which is used by pedestrians during the occasions that the sidewalks, are muddy. Mr. Staats sustained quite severe bruises about the face, but fortunately was otherwise uninjured.

While driving through town on Sunday last Mr. William Beck who resides near Delaware City had the front spring of his carriage broken, the jolting of the vehicle when the crossing at Lattomus' store was reached having caused the accident. Mr. Beck was detained for some time before he could have the necessary repairs completed, when he resumed his journey to Clayton early in the morning.

The Townsend Cornet Band is now enjoying a big boom and is fast increasing its membership. Renewed interest is being shown on all sides. The band rehearses every Monday evening in its cozy quarters in the school house hall and all nearby residents are unstinted in their praise of these weekly musical renditions as the music adds greatly to the passing of enjoyable evenings among the many music loving residents.

Joseph Smith, of near Fieldsboro, lost a horse in a peculiar way on Tuesday. A colored boy employed by Smith was harrowing wheat with a pair of horses when in making a turn one of the horses fell into a ditch and the other horse fell on top. The under horse was drowned.

Mr. Reese Numbers, the ever genial foreman at the tomato cannery, left for his home at Perryman, Md., on Thursday not expecting to return again this season owing to the demands of his business at his home. Undoubtedly he will be greatly missed as he had made many friends here.

All of the local track men have been assisting during the past week in the work of improving the culvert which is one mile south of Middletown.

J. H. Primrose, deputy supreme organizer of the Improved Order of Heptasophs, was in town on Tuesday.

Mrs. A. S. Bradley, of Chestertown, Md., and Miss Emma Gill, of Philadelphia, were the guests of Mrs. V. F. Gill a few days ago.

Miss Bessie Floring, of Baltimore, spent several days in this section having arrived here on Tuesday of last week.

Miss Elsie Jones, of Middletown, spent Sunday as the guest of her sister, Mrs. George Pinder.

Photographic Artist Sereck S. Wilson has returned from a brief stay in the vicinity of Middletown.

Mr. Harry Hart, a young business man of Philadelphia, spent last Sunday with his relatives and many friends in this locality.

Mrs. Darlington and Mrs. Mary Price, of Middletown, visited friends in this locality this week.

Miss Anita Wilson has returned from a visit to Philadelphia.

James Ennis, of Trainors, Pa., is visiting here.

The middleman is on the defensive; he is having a severer struggle for existence than the men either side of him, observes the New York Journal of Commerce.

PERSONALITIES

Little Lines About Men and Women and What They Are Doing.

Miss Eugeni Beaston, of Wilmington spent Sunday with her sisters on Cass street.

Mr. D. L. Dunning, of Philadelphia, attended the re-opening of Forest Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Sarah Houston is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. M. Naudain, in the Monumental City.

Mr. William A. Hukill, Sr., Wilmington, was a visitor in town on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd spent Thursday in the City of Brotherly Love.

Dr. and Mrs. I. S. Vallandigham left on Thursday for a trip to Old Point Comfort by way of Baltimore boats.

Messrs. John C. and Samuel Kelley, of the Quaker City, were Sunday visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Kelley.

Miss Fannie Staats spent several days in town this week. She is much improved in health.

Mrs. A. M. Brown and Miss Bessie Reynolds are visiting friends in the Quaker City.

Rev. F. H. Moore, P. D., attended the meeting of Presbytery held at New Castle Delaware, this week.

Mrs. W. E. Barnard, Mrs. J. C. Alston and Miss Helen Covington are visiting their father, Mr. Geo. W. Covington, in Still Pond, Maryland.

Miss Lizzie Murphy returned to her home in Philadelphia on Friday after spending a week with her sister Mrs. Mary Hall.

Mrs Kate Morrison, who has been visiting her sisters aunt, Mrs. Rachel Ireland, returned to her home in Chester, Illinois, the first of this week.

Mr. Victor Cochran who has been spending the summer with his sister, Mrs. Howard A. Pool at Sugar Loaf, returned on Monday to Philadelphia where he will resume his dental studies at the University of Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Samuel Alrichs, of Glasgow, was the guest of her son, Mr. J. Frank McWhorter, and family on Tuesday.

Hon. W. B. Baker, of Aberdeen, Md., member of Congress, was a caller at the TRANSCRIPT office this week. He is finishing up his season's business at the Odessa cannery.

Mrs. J. Frank McWhorter was a delegate at the W. C. T. U. State Convention at Wilmington and leaving her pocket book in the anteroom during a session had it stolen from her valise.

Miss Hanson, of New York City, is visiting her cousin, Miss Lucie Cochran, on Cass street.

Unclaimed Letters.

A list of unclaimed letters remaining in the Middletown post office which can be had by saying they are advertised: Mrs. Harriet Anderson, Josephine Donovan, Victoria Whaley, Oroles Carey, John B. Foard, John Hayes, Richard Johnson.

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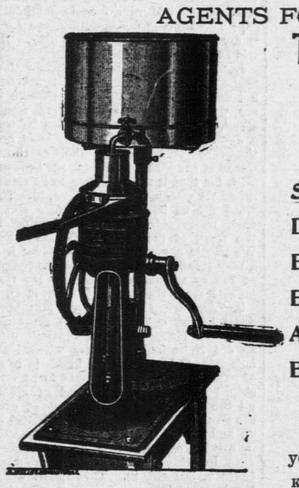

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON II, FOURTH QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, OCT. 8.

Text of the Lesson, Est. iii, 1-11. Memory Verses, 5, 6—Golden Text, Rom. viii, 31—Commentary Prepared by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

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1. "After these things did King Ahasuerus promote Haman, the son of Hammedatha, the Agagite, and advanced him and set his seat above all the princes that were with him." This wicked man and other wicked men, placed in positions of power and authority, make us think of Dan. iv, 17, "The Most High ruleth in the kingdom of men and giveth it to whomsoever He will and setteth up over it the basest of men." We have seen in the book of Ezra how the enemies of God and His people were permitted to prosper up to a certain point, but were in due time overcome. In this book of Esther we see the enemy prospering wonderfully for a time, but sudden and fearful was his downfall.

2. "And all the king's servants that were in the king's gate bowed and reverenced Haman, for the king had so commanded concerning him, but Mordecai bowed not nor did him reverence." Here is a man who, like Daniel and his friends, fears not the face of man because he fears God, and to an enemy of God he will not bow, let the result be what it may. Because of Amalek's rebellion against God and His people it had been determined to blot out the remembrance of him from under heaven (Ex. xvii, 16; Deut. xxv, 17-19). Had Mordecai bowed to Haman he would have done so to an enemy of God, and this he would not do.

3. "Then the king's servants which were in the king's gate said unto Mordecai, Why transgressest thou the king's commandment?" These servants knew no king but Ahasuerus. Like the Jews in the time of Christ, they would say, We have no king but Caesar (John xix, 15). How many who bear the name of Christian would have to confess if they spoke truly? O Lord, our God, other Lords besides thee have dominion over us (Isa. xxvi, 13). Many there are who continually break the first commandment, Thou shalt have no other gods before me (Ex. xx, 3). Mordecai could truthfully say: The Lord is my lawgiver, the Lord is my judge, the Lord is my king. He will save me (Isa. xxxiii, 22).

4. "Now, it came to pass, when they spake daily unto him and he hearkened not unto them, that they told Haman to see whether Mordecai's matters would stand, for he had told them that he was a Jew." Mordecai was established and therefore unmoved by the continual words of the king's servants. He believed God, for that is the only way to be established (II Chron. xx, 20; Isa. vii, 9). The word for us is, Be ye therefore steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord (I Cor. xv, 58). We should say with Paul: With me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you or of man's judgment. He that judgeth me is the Lord (I Cor. iv, 3, 4).

5. "And when Haman saw that Mordecai bowed not nor did him reverence then was Haman full of wrath." Just so did Nebuchadnezzar act when Daniel's friends bowed not to him. It is all of satan when any one wants to be worshiped or reverenced instead of giving all the glory to God. He wanted even the Son of God to worship him (Math. iv, 9), and his followers have the same spirit, making out that they are some great ones to whom others must bow down (Acts v, 36; viii, 9). This spirit, which has been so fully seen since they said at Babel, Let us make us a name (Gen. xi, 4), shall be finally and most fully seen in the antichrist, or man of sin, or lawless one of the last days (Dan. xi, 36, 37; II Thess. ii, 4, 8, etc.).

6. "And he thought scorn to lay hands on Mordecai alone, * * * wherefore Haman sought to destroy all the Jews." Death is the devil's weapon (Hab. ii, 14). Therefore Cain killed Abel, Pharaoh killed the male children of Israel, Herod killed the babes in Bethlehem, and so it goes and will go till the last enemy, death, shall be destroyed (I Cor. xv, 26). It is the nature of the wicked to watch the righteous and seek to slay him, but the Lord will not suffer it unless it is for the highest good and greatest glory of the righteous (Ps. xxxvii, 32, 33).

7. It would seem from this verse, when compared with chapter ix, 24, that for about a year Haman was plotting and planning the destruction of the Jews. It is said of the wicked that they devise mischief upon their beds and set themselves in a way that is not good (Ps. xxxvi, 4). It is bad enough when enemies speak evil of us, whisper together against us and devise our hurt, but it is worse if those who were our familiar friends turn against us, yet even that is but a phase of our fellowship with Christ (Ps. xli, 5-9; John xv, 20, 21).

8. "And Haman said unto King Ahasuerus, There is a certain people scattered abroad and dispersed among the people in all the provinces of the kingdom, and their laws are diverse from all people; neither keep they the king's laws. Therefore it is not for the king's profit to suffer them." Thus were the Jews slandered to the king when the temple was being builded (Ez. vi, 12, 13). The testimony against Paul and Silas was, These men, being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city and teach customs which are not lawful for us to receive, neither to observe, being Romans (Acts xvi, 20, 21). But nothing was ever said about any one quite so bad as that which our Lord's enemies said about Him, the pure and holy Lamb of God.

9. "If it please the king, let it be written that they may be destroyed, and I will pay 10,000 talents of silver to the hands of those that have the charge of the business to bring it into the king's treasuries." What a truly devilish plot this was to destroy thousands of people so as to be avenged upon Mordecai!

10. "And the king took his ring from his hand and gave it unto Haman, the son of Hammedatha, the Agagite, the Jews' enemy." Thus the doom of the Jews seemed about to be accomplished by their enemy, but God was watching and saying: Thus far shalt thou come. Kings and rulers may set themselves and take counsel together against the anointed of the Lord, but He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh. The Lord shall have them in division (Ps. ii, 1-4).

11. "And the king said unto Haman, The silver is given to thee, the people also, to do with them as it seemeth good to thee." Shall God allow His people thus to be given into the hand of the enemy? Sometimes He does, for He said concerning Israel, I have given the dearly beloved of my soul into the hand of her enemies (Jer. xii, 7).

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Topic For the Week Beginning Oct. 8, "Work Where Christ Tells You to Work"—Luke, John xxi, 1-8.

"Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find."

By the lake of Galilee, in the mists and dim light of early morning, Jesus hails the fishermen who have worked all night without success and now, tired and hungry from toil, are breakfastless.

At his suggestion they make one more cast of the net and inclose a great school of fish. The point of value in this lesson is not the question of Jesus' knowledge or of His power, not the matter of miracle or natural course of events, but rather the spirit of readiness to receive suggestions and to work however and wherever there is prospect of results.

Dullness and apathy in personal experience and in the life of a church or chapter is not usually because of no field of work at hand nor the lack of workers, but most usually comes from indifference and obstinacy. Some fish may be caught by accident by a listless fisherman, but usually it needs one who is alert to know their haunts and habits to make much success.

It is no easier to catch men than fish. Many of them are wary creatures, easily scared at the mention of religious topics. They need to be sought as skillfully as brook trout are hunted by the true sportsman. Oftentimes when every device has been used and all resources of labor and ingenuity exhausted and fishing time seems over and the workers all worn out, then comes the great haul, and a multitude of great fishes is inclosed and safely landed and the net not torn.

It will ever be so. Strive with whatever skill we may, there will still be long nights of taking absolutely nothing. But there are fish still uncaught, and they will swarm somewhere. If we are alert instead of disheartened, the Master will be heard as He hails from the shore. One more cast, made as He directs, then fish in abundance and a morning feast in His presence.

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It is gratifying to see the men prominent in business and military and governmental affairs increasingly known as religious men. The world moves upward in these years. The power of the gospel is being realized not alone in the salvation of the individual, but in the regeneration of society and the reformation of all life.

Breaking the Net.

One of the things which John speaks of with surprise is the fact of the untorn net when so many strong fish had been caught. One of the surprising things about church nets in the past has been the rents which have let out such a multitude of those once inclosed. How often has the cry been raised: "How can we hold our young people?" "What can we do for our young men?"

It is a fact, all too true, that in many places the half grown boys drift out of the Sunday school and never come back to the church. What is the cause? What is the cure? Much has been written and spoken about this evil, and wisdom is not yet exhausted, nor has the complete cure been yet found. Nets still break and boys get away into deep waters and are lost.

Some few items we have learned about this business. Old nets are apt to be rotten. New ones hold best. Don't rush or frighten the fish or try to do everything in a minute. Slow and sure is a good rule in working a seine. But don't be so slow that the fish all get away before you begin to "purse up the net." Keep all nets in repair. You can't tell which one will be needed next, nor how soon. Fish whenever you get a chance, and not just when you feel like it. You must study the fishes' feelings more than your own if you are to catch them.

The Beautiful.

Appreciation of the beautiful in nature and art and in human character and action is as desirable as integrity, honesty and purity. Harshness is no proof of holiness. One may be so absorbed in some line of work as to neglect many others very desirable. The great scientist Darwin made this mistake. Up to the age of 30 he delighted in poetry, and especially in Shakespeare. His later scientific studies were pursued so exclusively that he lost all pleasure in poetry, music and pictures, and his mind became a machine only for grinding several laws out of collected facts.

TO FIRST VOTERS.

There is a constitutional provision which will become operative before the next general election is held, of which the general public may not be aware, although it has been published in connection with the Constitutional Convention. It is an educational test. It is "that no person who becomes of age or who is naturalized after January 1st, 1900, shall be permitted to vote who shall not be able to read the Constitution in English, and be capable of writing his name."

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Inquiry of Endeavorers and Leaguers

The TRANSCRIPT desires to have answers to the following query from members of the Christian Endeavor and Epworth League Societies: Months ago the TRANSCRIPT inserted a column upon the Sunday School Lessons which are so generally used. It is presumed these comments are read and are appreciated by members of the Sunday Schools and Bible students. Subsequently comments upon the weekly topics of the Christian Endeavor societies and also those of the Epworth League were introduced. The query is, "Are these found to be useful or do the many special papers and helps so abundantly furnished the societies do away with the necessity for these newspaper comments?" If so, the space can probably be devoted to something of more general interest. Answers are desired. A postal card will fill the bill.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Topic For the Week Beginning Oct. 8—Comment by Rev. S. H. Doyle.

TOPIC.—Work where Christ tells you to.—John xxi, 1-6.

The topic is illustrated in the topical reference by an incident in the life of Christ after His resurrection. It is the appearance of Christ to the seven disciples on the Galilean sea, where they had been fishing an entire night without success. Jesus appeared in the morning. He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find." They cast, therefore, and now they were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes. Here is an illustration of working where Christ said to work, and the result.

Where shall we work as Christians? What shall we do for Christ? Shall we preach the gospel? Shall we become foreign missionaries, or shall we stay in the home church, and, if so, what shall we consider our special duty and mission there? These are questions that often confront Christian people, nor are they always answered. Our topic gives us a safe principle to follow—work where Christ tells you to.

For many reasons we should work where Christ tells us to.

1. Because it is our duty. It is for Christ to command and for us to obey. He is our leader, our Captain, and the most important duty of the soldier is to obey the commands of his superior officer.

2. Obedience to Christ is a test of our love for Christ. Christ Himself said, "If ye love Me, keep My commandments." "If we love Christ, we are to show it doing what He wants us to do.

3 Christ knows best where the work should be done and what we are capable of doing. The officer always has a wider vision than the private. His opportunities for superior knowledge are greater. Christ's vision is greater than ours. The disciples had failed. When they did what He told them to do, they succeeded beyond all expectations. Success, therefore, depends upon obedience to Christ.

But how may we know where Christ wants us to work? He cannot tell us, as He did His disciples of old, and yet He does give us leadings in the matter.

1. Ability should assist us to decide. If Christ has not given us ability to do a certain kind of work, we may rest assured that He does not want us to do it. 2. Opportunity should be looked upon as a command from Christ. Christian opportunity is Christian duty. The helplessness and need of the man who had fallen among thieves were a command of Christ to those who passed by Him. 3. The study of God's word will assist us in deciding when Christ wants us to work and what He wants us to do.

Let us do our best to discover where Christ wants us to work, and then let us do His work. "Where duty calls or danger, be never wanting there."

Bible Readings.—Eccl. ix, 10; Math. v, 16; xliii, 48; xii, 50; xxv, 31-46; xxviii, 18-20; John ii, 1-11; xiv, 15; xv, 1-14; Acts vi, 1 16; xiii, 1-3; Luke vi, 46; Rom. xii, 6-8; I Cor. x, 31; xii, 1-11; Gal. vi, 1-9; Col. iii, 17.

Literature and Religion.

In vain do we search for true and soul saving religion among the most brilliant writers of the day. In too many of them we encounter only bitter hostility and unbelief. Therefore when a prominent writer acknowledges the superintending care of God in honest, vigorous terms the Christian world is surprised into thinking that he is on the side of truth, and especially when he is at the same time one whose voice is for progress and the development of the race upon natural lines. Mr. Kipling has got beyond many literary men in publicly acknowledging the dependence of Great Britain upon a superintending Providence. May his recent experience be so blessed to him that he may attain to truths of which as yet his writings are silent.—Episcopal Recorder.

Keep in Touch With the World.

Men grow narrow because they do not live in sympathy with the times. They grow hard because they keep the world outside. They lose in spiritual force because they keep that force under in their daily life. Every day witnesses to the life lived the preceding day. This must be so, for life is cumulative either in good or evil. There is no blank. Consciously or unconsciously, this force is working for good or evil. Stagnation is death. When we realize this to the full, we strive to compel attainment. When we look upon each day as a period by itself, we become the playthings of time.—Christian Union.

Pleasing Others.

The best rule is to take people as you find them and make the most of your opportunity to please them in some sort of fashion. There are so many ways to accomplish this—by attentions, thoughtful suggestions, pious undertakings, all of which being saturated with the milk of human kindness cannot fail of bringing a result which will be satisfactory. When we learn to live to please others, we shall reap the largest harvest of pleasure for ourselves by imitating our Lord and Master, who went about doing good to the souls and bodies of men. —Philadelphia Methodist.

The Harm of Genius.

Genius as a model is liable to produce harm. One might as well attempt to discourse upon the sun to a convention of lantern makers. Work hard as they may, there will always be a painful contrast between their art and noonday. Perfection sermons do no good. They only deceive the susceptible and self righteous.—Presbyterian Journal.

Character and Color of Thought.

The quality and fineness of a man's nature is to be determined not so much by his occupation or by the dialect or the grammar of his conversation as by the character and color of the thought to which he gives expression.

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Farnhurst	f 8.22		f 2 44		7.04	
New Castle	8.27	f 11.21	2.49	4.39	7.09	
State Road	f8.33		f 2.54		7.14	
Bear	f8.38		f 2.59	f 4.48	7.19	
Porter	8.45		f 3.04	4.52	7.25	
Kirkwood	8.50	11.34	f 3.09		7.30	
Mt. Pleasant	8.59		f 3.17		f 7.38	
Armstrong	f 9.03		f 3.21		f 7.42	
Middletown	9.08	11.50	3.26	5.18	7.48	12.39
Townsend	9.17		3.34	5 28	7.56	
Blackbird	f 9.22		f 3.39		f 8.01	
Gr'n Spring	f 9.27		f 3.45		f8.07	
Clayton	9 33	12 07	3.51	5.42	8.13	12.57
Smyrna LV	9.23	11.57	3.41	5.21	8.03	
Brenford	f9.38		f 3.59		f8.18	
Cheswold	f9.43		f 4.04		f8.24	
Dupont			f 4.07			
Dover	9.58	12.23	4.14	5.59	8.34	1.16
Wyoming	10.05	f12.29	4.20	6.05	8.40 a	1.24
Woodside	f10.11			f 6.11	f 8.47	
Viola	f10.15			f 6.15	f 8.51	
Felton	10.20	f12.40		6.20	8.56 a	1.38
Harrington	10 34	12.53		6.33	9.07	1.50
Farmington	f10.42 a	1.02		f 6.41	f 9.15	
Greenwood	f10.50	f 1.08		f 6.49	f 9.23	
Bridgeville	10.58	f 1.16		6.57	9.31 a	2.14
Cannons	f11.03			f 7.02	f 9.36	
Seaford	11.13	1.27		7.11	9.45	2.26
Laurel	11.23	f 1.37		7.21	9.55 a	2.38
Delmar	11.33	1.46		7.30	10.05	2.50

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Delmar	11.08		7.00	8.00	2.15	3.30
Laurel	f 1.21		7.11	8.10	2.25	3.41
Seaford	1.34		7.23	8.24	2 35	3.56
Cannons			f 7.31	f 8.31		f 4.04
Bridgeville	f 1.48		7.37	8.37	f 2.46	4.11
Greenwood			f7.45	f 8.45	f 2.54	f 4.19
Farmington			f 7.53	f 8.53		f 4.27
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